IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

June 1, 1858.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Jones submitted the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of John Leach, of the City of Washington, have had the same under consideration, and submit the following report:

The petitioner alleges that he served in the revolutionary army for some three years, and was honorably discharged. There is, however, no documentary evidence that such is the fact. Mr. Leach is a resident of the city of Washington, and has been for many years; and, though his reputation for truth and veracity seem to be well sustained, the committee are reluctant to establish the precedent of granting a pension merely upon the assertion of the applicant that the alleged service was actually performed. They therefore recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be denied.

